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In re Application of:)	
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Serial No. 09/840,755)	Examiner: Peter Y. Choi
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated May 21, 2008, Applicant has filed this Amendment and Response. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw the rejections to this application and to grant allowance of this Application in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims

Please amend claims 2-6, 8-11, 14, 17, 18, 20, 22, and 23. Please add new claim 29. This listing of claims will replace all prior visions, and listings of claims in the application: